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**5.4 Introductory Elements**

MY SENTENCE: The Hunter repeats to himself “I must keep my nerve. I must keep my nerve” (Connell 80), to keep himself calm.

EXPLANATION: Use a comma after certain introductory elements. Use a comma when there is an introductory participle or participle phrase. This information is found on page 342 of the *Holt Handbook.*

* In this situation, a comma is needed after an introductory participle.

REVISED EXAMPLE: The Hunter repeats to himself, “I must keep my nerve. I must keep my nerve” (Connell 80), to keep himself calm.

ORIGINAL EXAMPLE: Yes, I love argyle sweaters.